

2011–2012 Small Game Hunting Seasons

Species (alphabetical)	Inclusive Dates	Hunting Hours	Daily Limits	Notes
Bobwhite (quail)	Closed statewide; except at Peaslee & Greenwood WMA (see Notes) At Peaslee & Greenwood WMAs ONLY: Nov. 12–Dec. 3, Dec. 12, 13, 15–31, 2011 and Jan. 2–31, 2012	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	4	8 a.m. start on Nov. 12 Quail may be hunted ONLY at Peaslee and Greenwood Forest WMAs. Pheasant and Quail Stamp required. Season closed in remainder of the state. (See exceptions under Northern Bobwhite, page 62.)
Coyote* and Fox, General All coyote must be reported within 24 hrs.	Bow and Arrow only: Sep. 10–Nov. 11 in DMZ Regulation Sets 3A–8 Oct. 1–Nov. 11 in DMZ Regulation Sets 0–3 Firearm or Bow and Arrow: Nov. 12, 2011 – March 15, 2012	½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	No limit	8 a.m. start on Nov. 12 Open Dec. 5–10 and Dec. 14 with restrictions as specified under Small Game Hunting, <i>Coyote and Fox</i> , page 62. Rifle permit required in possession when hunting with muzzleloading rifle (allowed only incidental to deer hunting).
Coyote* and Fox, Special Permit Season All coyote must be reported within 24 hrs.	Firearm or Bow and Arrow: Jan. 2 to March 15, 2012 (permit required)	Permit holders may hunt day and night with certain restrictions; see <i>Notes</i> at right.	No limit	For complete details, and for when a permit is required, see Small Game Hunting, <i>Coyote and Fox</i> , page 62. Calling and standing hunting only. Predator calling device must be in possession. Rifle permit required in possession when hunting with muzzleloading rifle, allowed only during the daytime hunting hours. During night hunting (½ hour after sunset to ½ hour before sunrise), only 10 or 12 gauge shotguns with #4 through "T" size shot are permitted. Coyote/fox permit required.
Grouse, Ruffed	North of Rt. 70: Oct. 20 to Dec. 3** and Dec. 12, 13, 15–31 South of Rt. 70: Nov. 12 to Dec. 3** and Dec. 12, 13, 15–31	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	2	8 a.m. start on Nov. 12
Opossum & Raccoon	Oct. 1, 2011 to Mar. 1, 2012	1 hour after sunset to 1 hour before sunrise	No limit	Rifle permit required when hunting with rifle. 7:41 p.m. start on Oct. 1 Closed Dec. 5–10 and Dec. 14
Pheasant & Chukar	Nov. 12 to Dec. 3 and Dec. 12, 13, 15–31, 2011 and Jan. 2 to Feb. 20, 2012	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	Chukar — 7 Pheasant — 2	8 a.m. start on Nov. 12 Pheasant and Quail Stamp required on designated areas (see <i>Small Game Hunting</i> page 64).
Rabbit, Hare and Jackrabbit	Sept. 24 to Dec. 3 and Dec. 12, 13, 15–31, 2011 and Jan. 2 to Feb. 20, 2012	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	Cottontail — 4 Hare — 1 Jackrabbit — 1	8 a.m. start on Nov. 12
Squirrel, Gray	Sept. 24 to Dec. 3** and Dec. 12, 13, 15–31, 2011 and Jan. 2 to Feb. 20, 2012	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	5	8 a.m. start on Nov. 12
Squirrel, Gray: Muzzleloading Rifle (.36 caliber or smaller)	Sept. 24 to Nov. 11, 2011 and Jan. 2 to Feb. 20, 2012	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	5	Rifle permit required. Designated areas only (see <i>Small Game Hunting</i> page 64).
Turkey (Fall, Either-Sex)	(Period N) Oct. 29–Nov. 5	½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.	1 Turkey (either sex) per permit	Permit required. Turkey Hunting Areas 1–5, 8, 9, 11, 20–22 only.
Turkey (Spring Gobbler)	(Periods A to E) Apr. 23 to May 25, 2012	½ hour before sunrise to noon	1 Male Turkey per permit	Permit required. Refer to 2012 turkey permit supplement, available in late January.
Turkey (Spring Gobbler, Youth)	(Period Y) Apr. 21 to May 25, 2012	½ hour before sunrise to noon	1 Male Turkey per permit	Permit required. Refer to 2012 turkey permit supplement, available in late January.
Woodchuck: Bow, Rifle or Shotgun	Mar. 1 to Sept. 28, 2011 Mar. 1 to Sept. 26, 2012	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	No limit	Rifle permit required when hunting with rifle. Rifle hunting prohibited on state property (see <i>General Hunting Regulations</i> , page 26 and <i>Small Game Regulations</i> page 62).
Woodchuck: Bow or Shotgun	Sept. 24 to Dec. 3** and Dec. 12, 13, 15–31, 2011 and Jan. 2 to Feb. 20, 2012	Sunrise to ½ hour after sunset	No limit	8 a.m. start on Nov. 12
Woodcock	See <i>Migratory Bird Regulations</i> **	Sunrise to sunset	3 daily; 6 possession	HIP number required (see page 73). 8 a.m. start on Nov. 12
Youth Turkey Day	Apr. 21, 2012	½ hour before sunrise to noon	1 Male Wild Turkey	Permit required. Refer to 2012 turkey permit supplement, available in late January.
Youth Upland Bird Day	Nov. 5, 2011	8 a.m. to sunset	Pheasant — 2	Selected WMAs and licensed semi-wilds (see page 23).

* All harvested coyote must be reported to a regional Division Law Enforcement Office within 24 hours. Callers must identify themselves by name and daytime phone number.

** No firearm hunting is permitted on **November 5** on those WMAs designated as Pheasant and Quail Stamp Areas. See list of areas, page 64.